

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-00625-CJN**

CAMPAIGN FOR ACCOUNTABILITY v. U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Assigned to: Judge Carl J. Nichols  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/06/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/06/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5984972) filed by CAMPAIGN FOR ACCOUNTABILITY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C, # <u>4</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>5</u> Summons, # <u>6</u> Summons, # <u>7</u> Summons)(Creighton, Sara) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/06/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CAMPAIGN FOR ACCOUNTABILITY (Creighton, Sara) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/06/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly. (zef, ) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/06/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u>

		Notice and Consent)(zef, ) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/08/2019	<u>4</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name– Alice C.C. Huling, :Firm– Campaign for Accountability, :Address– 660 Pennsylvania Avenue SE #337, Washington, DC 20003. Phone No. – (202) 780–5750. Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090–5990013. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by CAMPAIGN FOR ACCOUNTABILITY (Creighton, Sara) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
03/08/2019	<u>5</u>	ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE COLLEEN KOLLAR–KOTELLY. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 3/8/19. (DM) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
03/08/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>4</u> Motion for Admission of Attorney Pro Hac Vice with respect to Alice C.C. Huling, in order for her to appear as counsel for Plaintiff. Counsel shall promptly register for this Court's CM/ECF system. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 3/8/2019. (lcckk3) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
03/15/2019	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/6/2019. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/5/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 03/11/2019., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES served on 3/11/2019 (Creighton, Sara) (Entered: 03/15/2019)
03/19/2019	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Scott Leeson Sroka on behalf of All Defendants (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 03/19/2019)
04/05/2019	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.(Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 04/05/2019)
04/09/2019	<u>9</u>	ORDER. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 4/9/2019. (lcckk3) (Entered: 04/09/2019)
04/09/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Meet & Confer Statement due by 5/17/2019. (dot) (Entered: 04/09/2019)
05/17/2019	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 05/17/2019)
05/20/2019		MINUTE ORDER. The Court is in receipt of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report. As to Plaintiff's first request, Defendant is attempting to determine an accurate count of the number of responsive pages. As to Plaintiff's second and third requests the parties have conferred regarding refined search terms and Defendant will run a search using this information and confer with Plaintiff on the results. The parties are ORDERED to file another Joint Status Report by no later than JUNE 20, 2010, updating the Court on the status of Defendant's processing of Plaintiff's FOIA request. The parties are further ORDERED to file additional Joint Status Reports every 30 days thereafter. The parties are also free to file Joint Status Reports between the filing deadlines if issues arise that require the Court's attention.Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly on 5/20/2019. (lcckk3) (Entered: 05/20/2019)
05/20/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/20/2019, updating the Court on the status of Defendant's processing of Plaintiff's FOIA request. (dot) (Entered: 05/21/2019)
06/20/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 06/20/2019)
06/24/2019		Case directly reassigned to Judge Carl J. Nichols. Judge Colleen Kollar–Kotelly is no longer assigned to the case. (ztnr) (Entered: 06/24/2019)
07/17/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 07/17/2019)
08/13/2019		VACATED PURSUANT TO COURT'S ORDER OF 8/29/2019.....MINUTE ORDER. In light of the Parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by August 30, 2019. Signed by Judge

		Carl J. Nichols on August 13, 2019. (lccjn1) Modified on 9/2/2019 (zcdw). (Entered: 08/13/2019)
08/14/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Additional Joint Status Report due by 8/30/2019. (mac) (Entered: 08/14/2019)
08/29/2019	<u>13</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Status Report</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) Modified event title on 8/29/2019 (znmw). (Entered: 08/29/2019)
08/29/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>13</u> Joint Motion for Extension of Time, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED. The Court's order of August 13, 2019 is VACATED. The Parties shall submit a Joint Status Report by September 6, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on August 29, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 08/29/2019)
08/29/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 9/6/2019. (zcdw) (Entered: 09/02/2019)
09/06/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by CAMPAIGN FOR ACCOUNTABILITY. (Creighton, Sara) (Entered: 09/06/2019)
09/06/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall submit a Joint Status Report by October 4, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on September 6, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 09/06/2019)
09/06/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 10/4/2019. (zcdw) (Entered: 09/09/2019)
10/03/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 10/03/2019)
10/04/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties submit a Joint Status Report by November 4, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on October 4, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 10/04/2019)
10/04/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 11/4/2019. (zcdw) (Entered: 10/04/2019)
11/04/2019	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 11/04/2019)
11/06/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall submit a Joint Status Report by December 4, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on November 6, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 11/06/2019)
11/06/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/4/2019. (mac) (Entered: 11/06/2019)
12/04/2019	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 12/04/2019)
12/04/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall submit a Joint Status Report by January 6, 2020. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on December 4, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 12/04/2019)